



# CENTRAL OHIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION



Box 1561, Dublin, OH 43017

## May 2017

**When:** 7 p.m., April 17  
**Where:** Oakstone Academy  
939 S. State St., Westerville  
**Speakers:** Bob S  
**Topics:** ANA/Confederate currency

## May presentation

Bob S, Ohio district representative of the American Numismatic Association, retired railroad engineer and student of Civil War history will give a presentation of Confederate Currency.

The aspects of the financial hardships and the funding of the Confederate States of America and the effect of counterfeit currency that was printed and used in the South during the conflict will be a key topic.

Bob started collecting coins and some paper money in the last few years and found the ANA was a great place to learn and help youth in finding something to do besides electronic media. The American Numismatic Association has been in existence since the 1880's and is national organization with main offices in Colorado Springs, CO, with member clubs in every state in America.

Born and raised in northern Ohio, Bob is married with 10 children, 24 grandchildren and four great grandchildren and spends his time traveling in the state attending birthday parties for kids and grandkids and teaching and learning about numismatics.

## April presentation

The first impression is the most important, John Roberts and Tony Cass said during a presentation on how to grade Uncirculated Morgan Dollars.

Graders look at the surface presentation, quality of strike, luster and eye appeal. They look at coins under incandescent lighting, form an opinion and then scan the coin with a 7 power magnifying glass to look for problems that might affect the grade.

Roberts noted that the quality of strike varies with the date and mint mark. "It really does help if you look

at tens of thousands," he said.

Since the 1980s, market grading has prevailed. Common date coins are loosely graded and keys, which cost more, are graded to a tougher standard.

Collector wants have changed over the years. Toned coins and Uncirculated coins with mirror fields are now desirable. In the past mirror coins were looked down upon and some people tried to pass them off as proofs. The depth of a mirror field coin is determined by how far away a line of newspaper print can be clearly seen. Prooflike coins have 4-inch fields, Deep Mirror Proof Like (DMPL) have 6 to 8-inch fields and Ultra Prooflike, 20-inch ones.

## Club auction

Send June lots to Steve B - sbarnet5@columbus.rr.com - by June 12.

## Columbus Coin Show

**When:** May 21 - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
**Where:** Makoy Center, 5462 Center, Hilliard  
**Admission:** CONA members get in free

## Raffle

Bruce Smith won the April raffle, a PCGS MS-64 1887 Morgan Dollar

The May raffle coin will be something great. Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, and 13 for \$10.

## March winners:

**Door prizes:** Veronica L, Spence S and Dan R

**Quiz:** Chris P

**50/50:** Joan S was not present to win the \$156 jackpot, which rolls over.

## Exhibits

This year exhibit space is restricted to 14 cases. Therefore exhibits will be limited to one or two cases, allowing as many members as possible to have a chance to display their collections. Contact Bill K at nfd73h@gmail.com or 614-436-9771 to reserve your space.

# SCENES FROM THE CENTRAL STATES SHOW

CONA members were all over the Central States show in Chicago last month. Tony Cass took first place in the U.S. Coins category for his exhibit, "Carson City Gold Type Coins." Steve Petty gave away the YN award, helped out at the YN booth and started the LSCC meeting. On the bourse floor, Patty and Tony Cass and Brian R could be spotted behind their tables.

Bill Bierly was the underbidder on a pair of pattern In God We Trust coins during the Heritage Auctions Platinum Night. Spence S , Steve B and Charles C could be spotted on the buying side on the bourse floor and in the crowd at the LSCC meeting. (Apologies to anyone I missed.)



*Tony gets the gold*



*LSCC Central Regional Director Steve Petty*



*LSCC group photo*



*Steve B and Charles C*



*Bill Bierly*



*Patty and Tony Cass*